

SHS Students Top B-A Finals

Torrance seniors walked off with two firsts, a second, and a third in zone finals of the Bank of America Achievement recently, according to word received by Torrance Unified School District officials.

With 48 students from 18 area high schools competing in four categories, Warren Cross won first place in the "liberal arts" category, while Marilyn Flynn took first in "vocational arts." Both are South High students and will compete in the county finals at the Statler Hotel on May 24, where winners will get \$1000 scholarships.

Joan Smillie, S.H.S., won second in the "fine arts" section, while Linea Hilerman, North High, took third in "fine arts," to win \$50 and \$25 scholarships, respectively.

3 OUT OF 4

In the same competition last year, Torrance seniors won three of four firsts and swept all awards in the "math and science" category, with 16 high schools competing. Rochelle Baumgarten, North High student, went on to win a first and \$1000 scholarship in the county finals.

Backgrounds of the winners are:

Cross, 17, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Cross, 5020 Macafee Rd. He hopes to study science at U.S.C. He transferred this year to South High from Kersey, Colo. At South, he has been student body president; member of Appollos, student service group; and a letterman in football. At Kersey, he served three years in student government; was a letterman; treasurer of the Future Farmers of America; and was a State Speaking Contest entrant three years.

Miss Smillie, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Smillie, 925 Calle Miramar. She hopes to study art at the University of Arizona. At South High, she has been a member of Home Room Representatives, Athenas, Mariners, Rally Club, Scholarship Society, Y-Teens, and has been president of the Art Club.

Miss Hileman, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hileman, 17026 Yukon Ave. She hopes to be a teacher and will enter El Camino this fall. She has been an American Field Service exchange student in Switzerland. Activities include the North High Band, Scholarship Society, German Club, Chemistry Club, and El Camino Honor Band.

Other Torrance Schools' contestants in the zone contest were Phil Shaw, South; Kimlye Takeuchi, Judith Meadows, and Sandra Lee Perucca, Torrance; and Betty Jo Reading, Wandell McCovey, and Donna Verne, North.

Judging took place at the Redondo Elks Club, with a panel of judges headed by Dr. Rudolph F. Sando, Los Angeles State College. Other committee members were the Rev. Gilbert Zimmerman, Mrs. Roy Apsey, Logan Cotton, Lynn Hansen, H. O. Carriere, Chester A. Brown, Mrs. Elizabeth Green, Mrs. Rohrer, Walter G. Linch, and William Belding.

Most of the state's private and parochial schools take part in the Bank of America Scholarship competition, which provides \$59,000 worth of grants to winners.

Little Dan Brown of Torrance is one of the many Los Angeles County children who will benefit from United Cerebral Palsy Association's May drive. Visiting him at his Long Beach UCP nursery is Mrs. D. K. Hanbury, campaign chairman for Wilmington. She will be among the celebrities and volunteer campaigners attending the UCP kickoff luncheon May 3 in Los Angeles.



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Chamber Board Names Director

The board of directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce unanimously approved the appointment of William Greenawald, local manager of the Southern California Edison Company as a director of the organization at their last regular board meeting, according to an announcement by President William E. Shawger.

Greenawald was born 47 years ago in Manor, Pennsylvania. He graduated from Geneva College, majoring in business administration. An employee of the Southern California Edison Company since 1938, he has been manager of the local office for two years. He, his wife, Jane, and two children reside in Compton.

George Naylor, former owner of Torrance Hardware, created the vacancy by resigning upon his retirement from the hardware business. He served as a director of the Chamber since January 1958 as a representative of the retail merchants.

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